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FYI - Harja was talking with Denise up to COB on Friday. It's a more definite commitment than what we've put in OGM's letter, but I believe it is still do-able.  
JRB

>>> John Harja 1/22/2007 9:19 AM >>>

Attached is the text of the letter I sent to UEI's attorney on Friday concerning the Lila Canyon matter. I think we need to make sure we meet this deadline. jh

January 19, 2007

Denise Dragoo  
Snell and Wilmer L.L.P.  
15 West South Temple, Suite 1200  
Salt Lake City, Utah 84101

Dear Ms. Dragoo:

Thank you for the information you and UtahAmerican Energy, Inc. ("UEI") have provided to us concerning the application for the Lila Canyon Extension, Horse Canyon Coal Mine permit. Although the Public Lands Policy Coordination Office is not authorized to make decisions in this matter, the Office can and will seek to have state agencies respond to responsible requests in a timely and professional manner, and will continue to push for a quick conclusion to this process. In this regard, we have been informed that the initial review of the proposed Programmatic Agreement for cultural resources has been nearly completed by the Utah Division of Oil, Gas & Mining ("Division"), and therefore that the cultural resource package is ready to be forwarded to the State Historic Preservation Officer ("SHPO") within the week. My Office has a commitment from the SHPO to rapidly review the package and issue its determination. The cultural resource package will then be forwarded to consulting parties for a 30-day tribal consultation period. Therefore, conditioned upon a timely and adequate response by UEI addressing the Division's January 19, 2007 letter, we will urge the Division to complete permit review and tribal consultation by March 8, 2007, assuming no new issues arise.

Please feel free to keep me advised concerning your views on progress by calling me at (801) 537-9275.

Sincerely,

John Harja  
Assistant Director  
For Planning and Policy

cc: John Baza  
Matt Seddon